

**AGREEMENT
FOR
ANIMAL-ASSISTED INTERVENTIONS:
COMMUNITY RESOURCE K-9**

Date: January 6, 2025

Parties: Community Resource K-9, LLC ("CRK-9
3501 Black Horse Ste 530 LLC)
#1058
Turnersville, NJ 08012

Gloucester Township Police Department ("GTPD")
1261 Chews Landing Rd
Blackwood, NJ 08012

RECITALS

WHEREAS, CRK-9 LLC, is a private, woman-owned organization committed to delivering certified and trained handler-canine teams for comprehensive community resource canine programs tailored for professional entities. CRK-9 LLC is committed to enhancing the well-being of first responders, individuals, and communities through a comprehensive and professional approach. Our organization leverages the expertise of highly skilled professional teams to implement evidence-based practices and innovative strategies. CRK-9 LLC., strives to deliver tailored solutions that effectively address the unique challenges faced by first responders and the communities they serve, thereby promoting resilience and overall health.

Through collaborative initiatives and community engagement, CRK-9 LLC., provides professional services in animal-assisted interventions, including activities, therapy, and crisis response, across the United States. CRK-9 LLC., is committed to maintaining the highest standards of training, certification, and professionalism within our Community Resource Canine model.

WHEREAS, GTPD, a police department comprised of full-time sworn officers, special police officers, telecommunications operators and civilian personnel, is dedicated to ensuring community safety, security, and exemplary service.

WHEREAS GTPD desires to engage CRK-9 LLC., to provide Animal Assisted Intervention services, specifically the Community Resource Canine model.

WHEREAS, GTPD and CRK-9 LLC., are individually referred to as a "party" and collectively as the "parties" herein;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and conditions contained herein, the parties agree as follows:

AGREEMENT

1. Scope of Services.

- (a) CRK-9 LLC., agrees to provide GTPD a Community Resource Canine/Crisis Response Canine program including the following Animal Assisted Intervention services:
 - (i) 40 hours of full-time service weekly to GTPD
 - (ii) Participation in a GTPD Community Resource Canine / Animal Assisted Intervention program launch media event.
 - (iii) Deployment of a certified CRK-9 LLC., / CISM team in the event of an unusual or critical incident
- (b) Assignments will consist of at least one (1) certified handler and canine.
- (c) The visit(s) will be modified by GTPD or CRK-9 LLC., and/or rescheduled if circumstances arise that conflict with the care, welfare and safety of GTPD community, staff and CRK-9 LLC., Teams.
- (d) CRK-9 LLC., canine handlers who provide on-site Animal Assisted Intervention services to GTPD shall satisfy GTPD contractor qualification requirements, including but not limited to nationally recognized background check, training and appropriate AAI certifications.
- (e) Each CRK-9 LLC., contractor shall always wear a GTPD-approved identification badge while representing CRK-9 LLC., on GTPD premises and on assignments.
- (f) For all canines participating in the visitations referenced above, CRK-9 LLC., shall comply with the requirements on the CRK-9 LLC., Standard Operation Procedures attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.
- (g) CRK-9 LLC., shall prepare and maintain an after-action report of each visitation to a GTPD in accordance with GTPD designated liaison officer.
- (h) At GTPD request, CRK-9 LLC., will remove any CRK-9 LLC., contractor or canine from the Community Resource Canine program found by GTPD to have engaged in illegal or disruptive behavior that could jeopardize the safety and/or welfare of any individual or community
- (i) GTPD shall designate a contact liaison at the selected visitation location and will provide CRK-9 LLC., with the name and cell phone number for each person. In the event of a change with the GTPD contact liaison, GTPD will provide CRK-9 LLC., with the updated contact information.

2. Compensation and Sponsorship.

- (a) In return for the services set forth above, GTPD agrees to provide a payment of \$67.50 per hour based upon a work schedule of 40 hours per week to be allocated to CRK-9 LLC.,

CRK-9 LLC., is responsible for the following:

1. Compensation to the CRK-9 LLC., a handler who meets the GTPD RPF requirements for this assignment.
 2. General liability insurance for CRK-9 LLC., canine and handler teams.
 3. Provide an appropriate vehicle to ensure the safety of the handler and canine
 4. Maintenance of designated vehicle to include all fuel costs.
 5. Ensuring the health of canines through appropriate veterinary care. Food and daily care of the canine.
 6. Formal obedience training sessions and requisite certification for canine. Continuing Education and Certification Requirements for Handler.
 7. CRK-9 LLC., administrative costs associated with employing the handler and canine.
- (c) GTPD shall have the right use CRK-9 LLC.,’s logos on all GTPD marketing materials.
- (d) CRK-9 LLC., shall have the right to use GTPD's logos on all CRK-9 LLC., marketing materials

3. Invoices.

- (a) All installments and fees will be invoiced by CRK-9 LLC., to GTPD bi-weekly. Payment of each invoice is due within thirty (30) days of receipt of such invoice.

4. Term.

- (a). This Agreement shall take effect upon the acceptance and execution by the parties below. An annual program evaluation will be conducted, with the decision to renew based on a comprehensive assessment of the program's outcomes.

5. Termination.

- (a) This Agreement shall automatically renew for successive one-year terms unless either party provides the other with written notice of termination at least sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of the current term

6. Insurance.

- (a) During the term of this Agreement CRK-9 LLC., shall maintain general liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate. Upon execution of this Agreement, CRK-9 LLC., shall provide GTPD with a certificate of insurance evidencing the aforesaid coverage.

7. Relationship Between the Parties.

- (a) Notwithstanding anything expressed or implied herein to the contrary, the parties acknowledge and agree that CRK-9 LLC., is acting as an independent contractor and for all purposes, shall be deemed to be an independent contractor within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Code, as now in effect or as may hereafter be amended, in performing its duties and fulfilling its obligations under this Agreement.

8. Entire Agreement.

- (a) This document, including CRK-9 LLC., Operation Procedures, is the entire, final and complete agreement and understanding of the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes and replaces all written and oral agreements and understandings heretofore made or existing by and between the parties or their representatives with respect thereto.

9. Amendment.

- (a) No supplement, modification or amendment of this Agreement shall be binding, unless the same is in writing and signed by a duly authorized representative of each party.

10. Assignment.

- (a) This Agreement shall inure solely to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns. CRK-9 LLC., is not permitted to assign this Agreement or delegate, in whole or in part, any of its duties under this Agreement without the prior written consent of GTPD . GTPD may assign its rights or obligations hereunder to an affiliate of GTPD with the prior written consent of CRK-9 LLC., but may make no other assignment without CRK-9 LLC.,’s written consent.

11. Severability.

- (a) If any portion of this Agreement or its application is construed to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, then the other portions of the Agreement or its application thereof shall not be affected thereby and shall be given full force and effect without regard to the invalid or unenforceable portions.

12. Governing Law.

- (a) This Agreement shall be governed by, construed, and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

13. Representations.

- (a) CRK-9 LLC., represents to GTPD that, to the best of its knowledge, CRK-9 LLC., its officers, directors, volunteers, and employees:
 - (i) have not been convicted of a civil or criminal offense
 - (ii) are not, nor have ever been included on, the Office of Foreign Assets Control, Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list; and are not, under investigation or otherwise aware of any circumstances which may result in CRK-9 LLC., being excluded from participation in any community programs. This shall be an ongoing representation during the term of this Agreement. CRK-9 LLC., shall immediately notify GTPD of any change in the status of the representations set forth in this Section.

14. Indemnification.

- (a) Each Party is responsible for its own acts and omissions and those of its officers, employees, and agents. Nothing in this Agreement shall be interpreted to alter or diminish any applicable immunity or defense under state or federal law.

15. Authorization.

- (a) The parties signing herein below represent and warrant that (i) the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement has been duly authorized by all requisite action of the entity on whose behalf they are signing; (ii) they have all requisite authority to bind the entity on whose behalf they are signing; and (iii) this Agreement constitutes a valid and binding contract of the entity on whose behalf they are signing enforceable in accordance with its terms.

16. Headings; Counterparts.

- (a) The headings used in this Agreement are solely for convenience of reference, are not part of this Agreement, and are not to be considered in construing or interpreting this Agreement. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives on the dates set forth below, effective as of the day and year first above written.

Community Resource Canine, LLC

Gloucester Township Police Department

By: Andrea Hering

By: Chief David Harkin

Print Name: Andrea Hering

Print Name: Chief David Harkin

Title: President

Title: Chief of Police



Community Resource K-9., Standard Operation Procedures

For each canine participating in the CRK-9 LLC., Goal-Based Animal Assisted Intervention program, CRK-9 LLC., shall:

1. Upon request, provide proof of current rabies vaccination.
2. Ensure that the canine passes a temperament evaluation conducted by a certified evaluator* which assesses:
 - (a) reactions toward strangers.
 - (b) reactions to loud stimuli.
 - (c) reactions to raised voices and unusual physical gestures.
 - (d) reactions to unusual environments.
 - (e) reactions to being patted or petted in a vigorous or unusual manner.
 - (f) reactions to other animals; and
 - (g) ability to obey handler's commands.
 1. Upon request, validation of certification will be produced.
3. Ensure that the canine is accompanied, at all times applicable hereto, by its registered handler who is a CRK-9 LLC., certified animal assisted intervention professional who shall have complete responsibility for the canine while it is on the premises.
4. Ensure the canine has proper identification
5. Ensure that the canine is clean and well groomed within 24 hours of its visit.
6. Ensure that the canine voids only in appropriate areas.

7. CRK-9 LLC. agrees to immediately remove from the premises and not utilize any canine again for services hereunder that demonstrates aggressive action to a patient, visitor, or any other person on the premises.
8. CRK-9 LLC., agrees to exclude from visitations any canine which, within the past one (1) week period:
 - (a) experienced episodes of vomiting or diarrhea, urinary or fecal incontinence, sneezing or coughing of unknown or suspected infectious origin.
 - (b) underwent treatment of non-topical antimicrobials or with any immunosuppressive doses of medications.
 - (c) suffered from open wounds, ear or skin infections or suffers from orthopedic or other conditions that, in the opinion of the canine's veterinarian, could result in pain or distress to the canine during handling or when maneuvering on the premises.
9. Canines must have an ideal body condition score of 4 or 5

All CRK-9 LLC handlers and canines must possess the following certifications and trainings:

- Achieve the American Kennel Club Temperament Test or equivalent
- Achieve independent National Therapy Canine Certification
- Achieve the American Kennel Club Canine Good Citizen Advanced and Urban
- Achieve the title Working Service Dog Title by Law Enforce Defense Systems
- Complete Animal Assist Canine Academy's Public Access Assessment
- Achieve the Community Resource Canine TM certification by the Animal Assist Canine Academy
- Achieve the status of a deployment team member of Crisis Response Canines
- Handlers must have CCISM Certification
- Handlers must have C-AAIS certification
- Handlers must have QPR Gatekeeper training, instructor status preferred
- Handlers must have AACA Community Resource CaninesTM certification
- Handlers must have all the training required by Crisis Response Canines.



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